House Resolution No. 4265

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor outstanding Missourians who have witnessed dramatic changes in America during their sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Gordon, residents of Sedalia, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of their Eightieth Birthdays with a special celebration on October 11, 2008, at St. Paul's Lutheran School Gym; and

Whereas, on September 11, 1928, in Russellville, God brought a special gift to Enos L. and Emma Zink Gordon with the birth of a son by the name of Donald; while on October 22, 1928, in Lohman, God also brought a special gift to Henry and Hulda Goldhammer Fischer with the birth of a daughter by the name of Viola; and

Whereas, while celebrating their birthdays, Donald and Viola Gordon will have the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in their lives such as their marriage on May 8, 1954, and the births of their offspring; and

Whereas, Donald and Viola Gordon have been blessed with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include three children, Sarah Gordon, Timothy Gordon, and Donna Plummer; and six grandchildren; and

Whereas, now retired, Donald Gordon provided a comfortable home and secure future for his loved ones through his successful endeavors as an insurance agent and a farmer, while Viola distinguished herself as a devoted wife, loving mother, and an exemplary homemaker; and

Whereas, Donald and Viola Gordon have also enjoyed recognition by supporting St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 40 & 8, and Ladies Aid; and

Whereas, at the respectable age of 80, Donald and Viola Gordon are extremely grateful for the countless blessings they have received throughout the course of their long and eventful lives:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Donald and Viola Gordon at this significant milestone and in wishing them peace and contentment as they continue to enjoy their golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Donald and Viola Gordon, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by

Representative Stanley Cox District No. 118

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4265, adopted September 30, 2008.